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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 28, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 26, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Typically, the analog IPPV/VOD set top terminal receives the program in a scrambled format such that the cable headend processing requires only the downstream transmission of an authorization code from the cable headend 208 to the set top terminal 220. If the analog IPPV/VOD set top terminal is receiving the program in descrambled format, the network manager 214 prompts the file server 215 to spool the desired program for transmission to the subscriber.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 9, 10, 17, and 25 as follows:

(Twice Amended) An apparatus for video on demand programs comprising:
 a receiver to receive requests for video on demand programs;
 a network manager, connected to said receiver, to process said program requests; and